

RESOLUTION

ACCEPTANCE OF ROUTE 757, MARMORA DRIVE, PORTION OF ROUTE 658, BRANCHES ROAD AND PORTION OF ROUTE 699, HORSETRAIL ROAD INTO THE RURAL RUSTIC ROAD PROGRAM FOR VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

WHEREAS, during the 2002 session of the General Assembly, legislation was passed to revise Section 33.1-70.1 of the Code of Virginia (1950, as amended) to allow for the improvement and hard-surfacing of certain roads deemed to qualify for and be designated a “Rural Rustic Road”; and

WHEREAS, the Virginia Department of Transportation (“VDOT”) has expressed a willingness to adopt this concept on a pilot basis until the program is fully implemented to assist in developing and defining the guidelines to be used for the program; and be evaluated by VDOT with regard to safety, resident concerns, and environmental issues; and

WHEREAS, such roads must be located in a low-density development area, and have no more than 500 vehicles per day; and

WHEREAS, this Board is unaware of any pending development that will affect the existing traffic on the roads; and

WHEREAS, a road that traverses an area known for its scenic vistas or a historic and relaxed ambience is one that should be considered for designation as a Rural Rustic Road; and

WHEREAS, this Board believes the portions of Route 757 Marmora Drive, Route 658 Branches Road, and Route 699 Horsetrail Road set forth for improvement in the Secondary Six-Year Plan should be designated for the Rural Rustic Road Program owing to their qualifying characteristics; and

WHEREAS, the aforesaid roads are in this Board’s Six-Year Plan for improvements of its secondary system of State highways;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Supervisors of Dinwiddie County, Virginia that the Board of Supervisors does hereby designate and request VDOT’s Resident Engineer to concur in the aforesaid roads as Rural Rustic; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Board does hereby request that the portions of those roads be hard-surfaced and, to the fullest extent prudent, be improved within the existing right-of-way and ditch-lines to preserve as much as possible the adjacent trees, vegetation, side slopes, and rural rustic character along the road in their current state; and

BE IT STILL FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this Resolution is forwarded to the Resident Engineer for the Virginia Department of Transportation.